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Via ECFS Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1

Dear FCC,

I'm a Sonic customer who chose my local internet provider because they have a good reputation for providing great customer service at a reasonable price. In point of fact they also connected me to alternative sources for television. Most people in my retirement community think they have no alternative to a would be monopolist, Comcast. It seems you wish to make their misunderstanding a fact by limiting our choices.

This country thrived on competition even before it was independent. Why would you betray founding principals to make a few economically privileged companies and individuals even wealthier? The concentration of too much power in ever fewer hands is a direct threat to our democracy. Like it or not the internet is now part of our fourth estate. Do not threaten the republic by limiting the voices that we hear.

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